

**PATENT APPLICATION**  
**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of

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For: FIBER GRATING OPTICAL WAVEGUIDE DEVICE

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

**Please enter the following amended claims:**

*a<sup>1</sup>* 4. (Amended)Device according to claim 2, wherein the monomeric and/or oligomeric precursor materials of said polymeric material display an anisotropic behaviour.

*a<sup>2</sup>* 8. (Amended)Method for manufacturing a device according to claim 1, comprising the following steps:

- forming a diffraction grating area along an optical axis of an optical fibre